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The Herald, Melbourne, 27.8.1987.

## Come back down to earth, scientists told

BY SUSAN PEAK  
SCIENCE REPORTER

Scientists were deluding themselves that they were involved in a value-free, socially neutral and objective understanding of the world, the ANZAAS Congress in Townsville has been told.

Mr Ian Lowe of the School of Science at Griffith University, Queensland, said the view that science was "the true exemplar of authentic knowledge" was false.

He warned scientists that

they were abusing and could destroy the environment if they did not understand they could not make value-free judgments about it.

"Despite all the difficulties of laboratory science, the scientist can at least claim to be an outside observer of the system, be it chemicals in a test-tube, wooden blocks on inclined planes or haemoglobin molecules in a blood vessel," Mr Lowe said.

"No such claim can be made, even in principle, about human observations of the eco-system ... for we are an integral part of that system."

The above statement illustrates that most orthodox scientists delude themselves when coping with the problems of the time. Fortunately, a small percentage demonstrate sufficient thinkability to understand that what is being presented as "science" is not necessarily fact.

Many problems of the day prove that many orthodox scientists know just enough to be dangerous. To know how to get an aircraft into the air but not know how to land the craft is to know just enough to be dangerous. Likewise, one of the most outstanding problems of today is the expanding danger of radiation. Orthodox scientists have created a problem they do not know how to contain.

One may ask, What does this have to do with ufology? Well, primarily, too many people place too much trust in the orthodox scientific community for a solution of the phenomenon. Orthodox scientists have too much difficulty in handling their own created problems, let alone the unusual, which leaves the problem to the ufologists to keep on researching.

## ON THE UFO TRAIL

By Paul Norman © VUFORS 1991

On Monday, 29th July, I walked into the lounge where I was staying in California, just in time to hear the end of a CNN (Cable News Network) TV newscast concerning a new pictogram which had appeared and some people were calling it a hoax while others were saying it was a message from space.

Even though CNN covers highlights from around the world every thirty minutes, no repeat was given on the newly found circle, although highlights of other stories were mentioned.

It was on the 3rd of August, five days later, when I arrived at High Wycombe, England, that I learned the location was only a thirty minute drive from that city.

While in America, I had purchased a high tech, state of the art magnetometer for the purpose of checking out some of the outstanding crop circles in England. I was met by Bob Digby, Chairman of the International Committee For UFO Research (ICUR) who briefed me while driving to his home nearby.

We were joined later by two other colleagues and motored to the site where we found considerable deviations in the magnetic field.

Three days were spent with Colin Andrews, Pat Delgado and associates who were cooperating with a Japanese crew monitoring an area trying to VIDEO circles while they were being formed,

It is interesting to note that on some occasions a compass will go erratic or spin in these circles soon after being formed and sounds like static discharges are heard. Research continues on the crop circle phenomenon by several groups in the U.K.

In Australia, although, circles are found on all types of terrain, including bare ground, to my knowledge no UFO has been seen at the location of a wheat circle. We do have cases where objects have been seen to rise from the ground leaving marks and/or discolored vegetation. I do not classify an incident as a UFO case unless an object is seen at the spot, although, I am interested in investigating all circles for clues as to their cause. Some circles reported to VUFORS are caused by mushrooms which discharge spores that form rings or circles but these circles have ragged edges and black dust or mould on vegetation.

After several tours around the areas of Salisbury and Glastonbury and visits with researchers in England, I checked in at the Rutland Hotel, in Sheffield for three days rest before the beginning of the 6th International Congress titled, UFOs: THE GLOBAL VIEW scheduled for 16, 17 & 18th of August.

The conference attracted many ufologists from all over Europe and North America. Researcher Thomas Coote and myself were the only two from Australia. On 17th, Thomas gave his presentation on the Jamestown Incident which occurred in South Australia and I presented my paper titled UFO Update From Down Under.

During the few days at the hotel, I visited several of my friends from previous years as



well as meeting others for the first time. The few days were not altogether pleasant because I found it necessary to put the record straight with regard to misinformation brought to my attention by ufologists in the U.K. This regarded cases in Australia in which I was involved with the investigations.

The misinformation was published in a book titled CROP CIRCLES, A Mystery Solved by Jenny Randles and Paul Fuller: (Robert Hale. London 5.95 Pounds) One of the cases occurred during the wee hours of September 30, 1980 when a farmer was awakened at 1 a.m. by the sound of cattle in a state of panic. Upon investigation, he found nearly 10,000 gallons of water missing from a concrete tank, taken by an unidentified object which he saw hover over the tank, leaving a 30 foot circle on the ground where the UFO had landed. The composition of the soil had been changed to the extent that water stood on the rim of circle like beads of oil.

Some individuals had read the preliminary report in our publication and three months later 'phoned the witness for permission to visit the farm and interview him regard to the incident.

Unfortunately, a niece of the witness had been killed while riding her bike. The witness requested the individuals to postpone their visit for a few days. His request was ignored. They went to the farm anyway. Reception was cool at best. For their report, the group relied on inaccurate newspaper cuttings and misinterpretations of statements made from our original report.

Back in 1980, the relatives of the niece were naturally enraged by the intrusion during a time of bereavement, the father instructed his brother-in-law to issue a notice via recorded telephone call not to make public any report or article concerning the incident. The date of notice was given as the 5th of January. But would individuals who disregarded a request to delay their visit because of a death in the family abide by such a notice? highly unlikely. So true to expectations, articles began to appear as of the 4th of January etc.,etc.,etc.

In the initial report, VUFORS investigator Patrick Gildea referred to marks on the ground as "spokes" and not to a wagon wheel sort of description of the bottom of the object itself. The marks were across the 14inch brown colored ring only where the grass had remained green. There were other deviations from fact which were published in various publications and accepted as accurate by Randles and Fuller.

Apparently, the authors of the book are so much in a habit as referring to all rings as "crop circles" they thought it necessary to have a typical ring flattened in an anti-clockwise direction. The fact is, this was a grazing paddock with grass too short to swirl in either direction. There were several other attempts by Randles and, Fuller to manipulate the details to fit their pet theory of a whirling vortex. The witness described clearly defined windows, NOT blotches of light as reported in the book.

On page 31 of CROP CIRCLES, A Mystery Solved, the authors state the importance to assess the witnesses who report experiences. Since I have been involved in ufology longer than most people in the field, I know from experience and observation that it is more important for the witnesses to assess the person who wants to investigate them.

Will their request for anonymity be honored? Are the investigators merely sceptics masquerading as ufologists? They may be self educated psychologist with a pet theory of some sort of mental imagery (dreamtime ufology) who will disregard all details unless they conform to their pet imagery. If the interviewer explains to the witness that they are not seeing what they are describing, the witness should not feel he is out of his mind. The interviewer is merely bending and twisting the description to his/her pet theory of the season.

Witnesses are the most important people in the field of ufology. They are the ones who were at the scene where the action took place. Witnesses have the details necessary to help solve the phenomenon. VUFORS does not walk rough shod over the witness nor treat them like animals in a cage nor insist they do this, that or the other. Randles and Fuller apparently object to witnesses subjecting themselves to hypnosis for fear details will not be in agreement with their scepticism even though hypnosis is used within scientific circles to solve other problems.

Randles and Fuller refer to excited ufologists following lines of the alien myth. This from sceptics who get so obsessed and excited over negative cases that they become subjective to the negative so much so they get into difficulties with ufologists who are trying to determine the whether, whence and why of the UFO. The authors appear to have become so enthused with the vortex theory that they try to make it fit all cases. This attitude is equivalent to an attempt to make a ragged mushroom ring fit the description of a vortex ring. Pictures of circles and rings that I saw where people had seen them being formed by vortex were ragged edged. And rings made by hoaxers goose stepping on boards around circles in fields crushed the stems and wheat.

When I read a book, the first cases I look at are the ones where I have been personally involved. Naturally, I turned to the Knowles family case on the Nullarbor Plains of Australia, where an unidentified object terrified the family and the object still remains unidentified.

The authors state that Mrs. Knowles reached on top of car and felt a strange "sensation", I suppose this phraseology was to have a psychological effect to bend and twist the readers view to fit the pet theory of the time. If the readers of the book find themselves under a "spell", a snap of the finger should bring them back into the realm of reality. The fact is that Faye Knowles felt something like a warm sponge. When she arrived in Melbourne and was interviewed by four VUFORS researchers, her hand was beginning to swell caused by something other than a sensation. Randles and Fuller attribute the dents on top of car to the downward thrust of a vortex. If true, the car would not have dropped on the right rear wheel. The dents were on the other three corners. Their pet theory does not fit the evidence.

It is true the incident turned into a circus. However, the sceptics became the performing clowns. But, if the case had remained in the hands of sceptics the incident would have remained a nonsense story. The sceptics did not realize the investigation would be taken further afield. The excessive amount of dust in and on the car was ignored and if the Adelaide sceptics got only two specks, that was all they wanted. VUFORS vacuumed sufficient amounts for several laboratory tests.



## — ON THE UFO TRAIL — continued.

The authors try to bring in a wall of great wind needed to fit a whirlwind vortex. A truck driver was not far behind the car and another truck driver was travelling in front. No great wall of wind was in the vicinity of the vehicles.

To illustrate errors authors make when writing about cases far away and completely unfamiliar with details of conditions, areas and terrain, in the book Mundrabilla is called a town. The fact is Mundrabilla is only a roadhouse consisting of a service station, restaurant and motel.

The VUFORS investigation was not a postage stamp enquiry conducted by mail. We were assisted by doctors, engineers and scientists at a cost of over \$3,000. We were concerned about the welfare of the family because of knowledge of details from other cases. The family was under the care of doctors for three weeks. Medicare paid part of the cost. VUFORS picked up the extra expense. Other people were only interested in making money out of their predicament.

In the chapter titled DEATH OF THE UFO, the authors try to explain all UFO cases as solved by the vortex "explanation". They have demoted the theory to a Randles/Fuller created myth. In their book CROP CIRCLES, The Mystery Solved, after ridiculing ufologists who are trying to find the answer, the sceptics struggle to give the impression that they have solved the mystery. That attempt falls flat. One year later, during the 6th International Congress, in Sheffield England, Jenny Randles, who holds the world record for the number of words used to solve nothing, presented a paper titled CROP CIRCLES, In Search For An Answer. I suppose that I have seen more would-be UFO assassins come and go than most ufologists in the field and as I flew over Boulder Colorado on my return flight to Australia my thoughts returned to May, 1967, at which time I was requested to present examples of Australian cases to the Condon Committee where another sceptic decreed the Death of The UFO. Condon is dead, the UFOs remain. Just a few days before my departure from London I had cancelled my return stopover in the U.S. because of reports coming from Australia that the UFOs were still active, flying and unidentified. More about these "resurrected" UFOs later while investigating on the UFO trail.

★ The following (page 7) is the continuation of LECTURE NOTES ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS 1954 by Professor Hermann Oberth.

continued from previous page.

★ ii. Also, the high speeds could be explained. In the fall, any speed can be reached up to the speed of light, provided that the influence of the gravity field lasts long enough.

iii. The noiselessness could be explained as follows:

Together with the UFO, the surrounding air is falling also, of course, but less the further it (the air) is away from it (the UFO). Further away from the UFO the air speed decreases, and as there is no sharp headwave and no air turbulence develops anywhere, no noise develops anywhere. It is the same as with large rivers with small slopes; for instance, the Amazon River in South America. There are speeds of up to five m/sec in the center, and if one would build a pier there, the water would bluster and foam around it. But, as it is, the river flows completely noiselessly because the water speed is very low even at some distance from the bank and because of this low slope the increase of speed of flow toward the center is very small.

v. Further, it would explain how the disks can be placed one upon another to form an object the shape of a cigar. In this case, only one gravity field is necessary and the other screens can be saved.

vi. The shining could result from the change of the "Hemmstrahlen" (drive waves) into longer waves of light and electricity.

vi. As these energies do not form vapor trails but on the contrary make holes through existing clouds, the missing vapor trails and the appearance of holes in clouds if a UFO flies through a cloud would be explained.

Pinkell went to Russia and there have been many who said that he found the solution to his problems there, and the UFOs are now a Russian Secret Weapon. There is existing an article, also, which goes from hand to hand. It seems to be of Communist origin, and intends to make us afraid of Russia. There the Pinkell Theory is nearly explained intelligibly but in such a way that an

engineer or physicist who doesn't know the Pinkell Theory from other sources has the impression that the questionable things would be clearer if properly explained.

The article says that Pinkell and Prof. Gorjew in the Urals built UFOs with success, and an English spy brought the information to America. I want to say the following about this:

It should be seen that except Russia, several other countries could build UFOs by the same circumstances, and that there are reports from a time which Pinkell did not live. Just as man tries to fly in outer space, there may (already) be beings on other planets who fly in outer space. I wish to point out that what I am presenting now is my own private opinion. I do not talk to you about this as the honorable president of GIW (?).

This Society decided to doubt all reports along with other similar astronomical federations in Innsbruck, August 1954, as long as there was not any specific proof for the existence of beings with human-like intelligence on other planets. I would like to name these beings "Uraniden" because they come from the sky as seen by us - in Gr. Lang. Uranos.

I attended this session (in Innsbruck), also, and did not contradict this decision. An association has to be careful with its publications and has to consider the effects on the public, and the IAF could only do harm to itself if it had confirmed the existence of Uranidens:

The people would think "If we are not the first in space, is there any sense in using much money for space exploration, as it depends on the grace of the Uranides whether we may build space ships. Or, on the other hand, if the Uranides want us to undertake space traveling, wouldn't it be better to wait until they tell us how we should build our space ships simpler, cheaper, and better?" If it would turn out that the assumption of the Uranides is in error (that they do not exist), the danger would exist that together with the UFOs, space traveling is wrong. Therefore, for instance, the implication of the "Stern" (a magazine) is not right when it says that I probably believe in UFOs to collect money for space exploration. On the contrary, my position today is that. I am without a situation (job) and



therefore am entirely free in saying my opinion. It is my obligation to inform the public and then to say what I think is most reasonable as far as I know. Should it turn out that my opinion is not right, this would be just one more error in my life! Man errs as long as he lives, and I believe that only a man does not make any mistake who doesn't think at all in his whole life.

I said: Except Russia, one has to assume beings from other worlds who also build UFOs. I do one step further and state that Russia doesn't build UFOs. UFOs rather, are exclusively of non-terrestrial origin. This is because of the following reasons:

a) I already showed the difficulties of the Lewetzow-Pinkell Theory. I think if one wants to influence gravity, he has to use means we don't know yet.

b) Secondly, Russia would not risk that the Americans fire on such a valuable vehicle and capture it. Think what such an invention means for air and space traveling! If the Russians would own such vehicles, it would be easy for them to build monster spy glasses in outer space which enlarge millions of times. At 42,100 km. above the center of the Earth, they would need exactly one day to circle the Earth and therefore would be suspended over the same terrain all the time. They could bring the surface of the Earth as close as if it were 40 meters distant (by ordinary sight), and fully do the job of spy flights over American cities and weapon manufacturing centers.

c) To date there is no report of any emergency landing or crash of an UFO. This would be the first time in history for a newly built vehicle to have no failure, not to say that it is impossible. The first rocket engine already burned in 1929, which is the time Pinkell went to Russia. In 1942, only one of four large rockets had been launched successfully at Peemunde, and in 1944 still only 80 % of the V2s reached their goal. 20% did not fire, exploded on their path, or went a wrong way. The invention of the car

is older. Therefore, one who starts a car reaches his goal with more than 80% (chance of getting there). There are still various accidents even today.

The steam locomotive is much older. And it usually does not happen in western Europe that a locomotive stops on its way because of mechanical difficulties. Firstly, they are really safer (than years ago); secondly, the necessary maintenance is provided which allows one to replace defective units continuously.

Together with the old reports, the security in the operation of UFOs indicates that it is an old invention.

d) Russia was very exhausted in 1945, and the Allies had a very hard time getting on their feet again. Therefore it is so grateful today. But they searched Russia at that time as thoroughly as they did Germany later on. And all Allied experts stated correspondingly that Pinkell worked on high frequency things, and that they would have seen things if there would have been such (UFOs) in Magnitogorsk. Weighing all pros and cons, assuming Uranides (intelligent space people) seems to be the **most reasonable** to me. Until now I have only heard two objections which are worth being discussed :

First of all it is said that there are probably no inhabited planets. It is true only Mars (probably) bears life like we know it in our solar system. Some time ago I said that Mars would not have so much desert if the inhabitants would be very highly developed. This reasoning must not necessarily be right! As a farmer came into a city the first time 100 years ago, he asked himself how these people there are living because he didn't see dunghills in front of any house. Please, it is the same logic. Deserts may be more valuable to them (the Martians) than green things.

But our solar system is not the only one existing. Our Milky Way includes 50 million suns as our one, and according to the latest astrophysical reports, more than 40 % of it has planets like our

planet. And there are 500 million milky way systems (galaxies).

Here one asked: "How long are the Uranides traveling from one milky way system to another?" Modern physics has a surprising answer: Time is a completely relative comprehension. Einstein already stated at the beginning of our century that one should be able to measure the movements of our Earth against an absolutely fixed point in space, if occurrences do not happen slower on moving bodies, and clocks go slower, also. The formula he developed is the following :

$$t = \frac{t_0}{1 - (v/c)^2}$$

if v is the speed of the space ship, c the speed of light,  $t_0$  is the time of occurrence at rest (no velocity), and t is the time that takes place on the space ship.

On our Earth the difference is not very large. v is 30 km/sec, c is 300,000 km/sec. v/c therefore is one ten-thousandth and  $(v/c)^2$  would be 1/100,000,000. This makes one second in two years. But astronomical watches could bring a proof. That there is no proof for it up to today speaks for Einstein's Theory. There have been many doubts about it; meanwhile, it is proved also with experiments. We can measure the speed and mass of electrically charged fast-moving particles, and if  $m_0$  is the mass at rest and m its mass at the speed v, the formula is valid:

$$m = \frac{m_0}{1 - (v/c)^2}$$

Assuming there are several heavy railway cars and I would be able to put the heaviest one in motion, it would take a longer time to do that with the larger one than with a smaller (lighter) one, which I would move immediately with the same amount of force. The time a force needs to put a body into motion is proportional to its mass. We now know from tests that the forces between atoms, electrons, and so on, do not depend on their speed (and mass), and if you therefore compare the two formulae, you can see that the first follows from the second formula. One can now observe electrons which have been accelerated in the cyclotron to an increase of mass up to 14 times, and if, for instance, a space ship could fly with this speed, their riders would become physically only one year older in a time of 14 years. They would not see or detect this difference on calendar watches, for instance, as these devices would move slower also. And if after all a space ship reaches the speed of light - and in case of building artificial gravity fields this would not be too far off - it could speed through space for hundreds of years with the astronauts not getting considerably older.

Another objection asks why the pilots of UFOs do not land and contact us. I would say that they do not need to. I daily receive 15 letters - if somebody among you is waiting for an answer, by the way, I beg him to excuse me for this reason. It is not my cranky intention that I cannot answer everybody - About one half of these letters deals with flying saucers and a large number have their origin in spiritualists, persons who are mediums, and others. Because there are still natural forces about which we do not know very much, some of which have been strictly denied by the official science 60 years ago. Their existence cannot be denied anymore today, and several universities for parapsychology and psychology are searching for what is true about the reading of thoughts and foretelling the future, for instance. There are persons who sense such forces, and they claim that the UFOs really are operated by human-like beings who have already studied the parapsychological forces thoroughly, and are able to know what we think without speaking to us.

There are two reason why I don't check these



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reports. Firstly, the searching of a parapsychologist is entirely different from that of a physicist. A physicist first takes the test results for granted; the parapsychologist, on the contrary, first of all has to check the reliability of his mediums and the circumstances under which one or another occurrence happened, which may influence the medium. Spiritually and healthy normal men are not mediums, in general. Mediums usually "have a crack" (there's something the matter with them mentally), which has an influence on his reliability.

Therefore, also the psychologist and parapsychologist and others have to find out whether the medium just tell things due to damaged senses or not. I did not learn that, of course, and therefore turned the material over to a parapsychologist, as far as the writers agreed (?). Many write to keep their reports strictly secret - which works as if they would have told it to a Catholic priest in confession. By the way, also the parapsychologist asks me not to say his name because he is afraid of publicity, which he does not like. The second reason why I do not deal with parapsychology is simply that my colleagues then would say: "Now it is for sure that he has lost his mind." - Now I am curious what he (the parapsychologist) will find.

There are further explanations for UFOs. I do not want to present them because they do not answer straight-forward questions (for instance: their impulse results in electromagnetic forces) or one can get lost in areas where you can't prove anything - motivation from soul forces, levitation, only half-materialized discs, and so on.

This is what I can present to you about the present information we have. My opinions can be changed tomorrow by any new report. I just can say: From what I know today I would say in respect to the questionable 1/10 of unexplained (UFO) reports that the theory of Uranides (that they are operated by extraterrestrial beings) seems to be the most reasonable.

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## 6th International Congress UFOs: THE GLOBAL VIEW

### PROGRAMME

#### Friday 16th August

- 10.30-11.00 am: Opening address by Major Sir Patrick Wall.
- 11.00-11.30 am: Preview by John Spencer (UK).
- 11.30-1.00 pm: Paul Vanbrabant (Belgium). The Belgian UFO Wave.
- 1.00-2.30 pm: Lunch.
- 2.30-3.30 pm: Kenneth Higgins (Scotland). UFO'S: A Scottish Viewpoint.
- 3.30-4.30 pm: Kathryn Howerd (USA). On the Edge of Earth.
- 4.30-5.00 pm: Tea break.
- 5.00-6.15 pm: Jenny Randles (UK). Crop Circles: In search of an answer.
- 6.15-6.30 pm: Open Forum. Questions from the audience.

#### Saturday 17th August

- 9.30-10.30 am: Odd-Gunnar Roed (Norway). Project Hessdalen up-date.
- 10.30-11.00 am: Coffee Break.
- 11.00-12.00 am: Bertil Kuhlemann (Sweden). The phenomena and its meaning.
- 12.00-1.30 pm: Lunch.
- 1.30-2.30 pm: Paul Norman (Australia). An up-date from down under.
- 2.30-3.30 pm: Thomas Coote (Australia). The Jamestown Incident.
- 3.30-4.00 pm: Tea Break.
- 4.00-4.45 pm: Bertrand Meheust (France). To be announced.
- 4.45-6.15 pm: Walter Andrus (USA). Gulf Breeze up-date.
- 6.15-6.30 pm: Open Forum. Questions from the audience.

#### Special Event

8.30-9.30 pm

#### CEIV LIVE IN CONCERT

This unique Scottish rock band are playing live in England for the very first time. Please go along and support them. An entrance fee of only £2.00 is required for this concert and tickets are available on the night. A copy of the CEIV 'ABDUCTION' tape can be obtained for just £6.00. Cheques payable to: Brian McMullan, 102 Ferness Oval, Glasgow, Scotland, G21 3SE.

#### Sunday 18th August


- 9.30-10.30 am: Steven Gamble (UK). Computerising UFO data.
- 10.30-11.00 am: Coffee Break.
- 11.00-11.45 am: Kenneth Phillips (UK). Anamnesis up-date.
- 11.45-12.30 pm: John MacNish (UK). Crop Circles: The Aerial Viewpoint
- 12.30-1.30 pm: Lunch.
- 1.30-2.45 pm: Cynthia Hind (Zimbabwe). To believe or not to believe?
- 2.45-4.00 pm: Thomas Bullard (USA). Lost in Magonia.
- 4.30-4.30 pm: Tea Break.
- 4.30-6.00 pm: Budd Hopkins (USA). UFO Abductions.
- 6.00-6.30 pm: Open Forum. Questions from the audience.

All speakers subject to change.

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### New Cover Design

As we have almost exhausted our current Bulletin covers, we are calling on the talents of our members to present a new cover design.

 Come on Members, support your Society and help your committee prepare a nice, new cover design for our new A4 size publication.



# The Jamestown Incident

Thomas A Coote, Australia



Thomas A Coote

Jamestown.

In July 1987, events occurred which were to change forever the life of this man. I have, for simplicity, denoted these events 1, 2 and 3, but it is probable that they are all interconnected.

## Event 1

On the night of July 6th, 1987, Mr L awoke. He felt freezing cold, could see no light at all (not even from the digital clock), and was totally unable to move. Even to breathe was difficult.

Not unnaturally, he thought he had had a stroke during his sleep and was now paralysed.

He recalls drifting off to sleep and reawakening several times. He later likened it to going under anaesthetic.

One time he awoke to feel something touching his cheek. Unable to reach it, he blacked out again. Later, when he awoke, he was able to move one finger, but quickly went to sleep again.

The next time he awoke, he has regained use of one arm and, as the mystery object was still attached to his cheek, he reached up and pulled it off.

To his amazement, it tugged at his hand, moving back and forth across the room, as if he had a dog on a leash!

Eventually it broke free, and he immediately fell asleep again. When he later awoke, he was able to move normally in all respects, and turned on the light to search the room thoroughly for what had been on his face. He found nothing, and returned to bed to sleep, noticing that his wife, normally a light sleeper, had failed to stir at all.

The following day, whilst shaving, he noticed two pin-pricks on each cheek, and recalled his night-time ordeal.

Within a day the marks were 1cm across; within a week, they were large red blotches. Urged by his worried family, Mr L saw his local doctor who referred him to a specialist.

Several weeks later, the specialist indicated that he had 'no idea what the marks were'.

Tom Coote assesses the story of an Australian farmer who encounters a strange craft near his land and is stalked by a being on his property. The experience is 'supported' by physical markings on the farmer's land and skin marks on the witness's face where he was touched by something he could not discern. Tom Coote investigates whether the evidence upholds the story.

About 200Km north of Adelaide, South Australia, the land is gently undulating, with a few trees.

The local farmers grow mainly wheat and raise sheep on the land which, although green in winter, is baked brown by the relentless summer sun.

Due to the vast areas sown to crops, farmers spend a large amount of time driving tractors; often at night.

Visibility can extend for miles.

The area is developing a reputation for being the site of strange happenings. Unexplained lights are often seen in the sky.

This reputation was enhanced following the experiences of one of the area's farmers; Mr L.

He is a large, easy-going man who lives with his wife and two sons a few miles from

continued.

Treatments were to no avail and the marks, which constantly change both size and shape, are still present.

## Event 2

Three weeks later, at dusk, Mr L and his son-in-law were seeding a paddock. Suddenly they both saw a brilliant red light shine down from a point in the sky onto a clump of trees about a kilometre away.

The beam lasted some seconds, then vanished. The younger man became uneasy about this and left to go home shortly after. Mr L stayed on to finish the job. He did another couple of laps of the field, looking about all the while.

He recalls that he felt very nervous for a reason he could not define. Suddenly, the beam appeared again; this time much closer, and again over the top of a clump of trees. Mr L decided to head for home.

He arrived home to find the house empty; his wife was at his son-in-law's house, and his son, Gary, had gone to the golf club.

He left the tractor running with its lights on, went inside, and turned on some lights.

## Event 3

He had been home only a couple of minutes when he was alerted by the frenzied barking of his three dogs. He went outside to see what was causing them to bark. Under some trees, about 40 metres from the house, he thought he saw a parked car, and recalls being momentarily amazed at how a car could be parked in that (fenced off) spot.

Walking closer, he suddenly realised that this was no car, but a type of spacecraft! It stood quietly, with no movement or light.

After a brief inspection, Mr L hurried back to the house to fetch a torch, only to find that all the batteries were flat.

Suddenly the dogs began to bark again; this time at the front of the house. Mr L hurried out and saw that the dogs appeared to have someone cornered, and were leaping and snapping at them.

Due to the house corner, he was unable to see what the dogs were attacking, and began to edge round in order to get a better view.

As he did so, the dogs' attack changed, in an instant, to abject terror. One ran yelping, into the middle of a paddock, one hid in a pile

of old boxes, and the third cowered behind its master.

Seeing the reaction of his dogs, and feeling fear himself, he retreated inside and locked the door. He decided to call his family for help but, amazingly, they refused to come.

It appears they were also afraid.

As he hung up the telephone, Mr L heard slow shuffling footsteps go from the house corner past the front door, a sound he says he will never forget.

When the sound had faded away (in the direction of the craft) he went to the bathroom. Whilst inside he heard the back door open and assumed that his son Gary had come back from the golf club.

He walked into the corridor and, looking along it, he saw "a sort of speckled blur, like a shadow but not like a shadow" standing there.

Still thinking it was his son, he walked towards it, but it retreated towards the front door, and he could hear the latch being turned.

He arrived in the entrance hall just in time to see a dark shape drift out into the night. He ran outside but found himself standing where he was when the dogs ran away, so he quietly went back inside.

Locking the door, he felt somewhat tired, and sat in the chair in the darkened room to plan his next move.

The next thing he knew, it was 1.30am, he was laying on his bed (in another room) and was being awakened by members of his family, who had overcome their fear to return.

All were too afraid to venture outside to see if the craft was still under the trees.

As it turned out, it was, as a shower of rain fell at about this time (the only one that night), leaving an outline of the craft on the ground.

In the morning, as well as the outline, several lines of round footprints could be seen radiating out from one point of the craft (the door?).

## The Aftermath

Following these traumatic events, Mr L recalls that he (quote) "didn't feel myself for about two days".

After discrete enquiries revealed that none of the neighbours had noticed anything unusual that night, the event was reported to the police.

The police were quite enthusiastic and





helpful but it was a case of "shutting the door after the horse has bolted".

Determined to find out more about what happened to him, Mr L contacted Colin Norris, and now attends as many meetings of the South Australia UFO group as possible.

In his presentation, Thomas Coote goes on to examine the three following areas:

- 1 Reasons to believe this case is genuine.
- 2 Conclusions which may be drawn from it.
- 3 The direction which future research should take.



Mr L with the mystery skin disorder subsequent to his experience

### Thomas A Coote: an autobiography

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Present occupation: Research worker

#### Academic/work history:

1974; Matriculated from St Peter's College, Adelaide.

1975-1987; Combined work and travel over much of eastern Australia, including six years in ski resorts.

1988; Enrolled at Flinder's University, Adelaide, in Science. Represented Flinder's University on the ABC TV series *University Challenge* (based on the Granada Television series of the same name).

1989; Coached Flinder's University team for *University Challenge*. Awarded a Chancellor's Letter of Commendation (for academic results).

1990; Completed requirements for BSc. Awarded a Chancellor's Letter of Commendation. Graduated in top 1% of all graduates.

Non-academic pursuits: Chess, coin collecting, cricket, investigating unexplained phenomena, skiing.



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On the 12th of August, 1991 at about 10pm, a motorist (name in VUFORS files) was heading East on the Eyre Highway. Just after passing through MADURA, he noticed in his rear view mirror that a bright white light was following close behind. After a few minutes, the light overtook him and was directly over his car when the whole area lit up like daytime on both sides of the road.

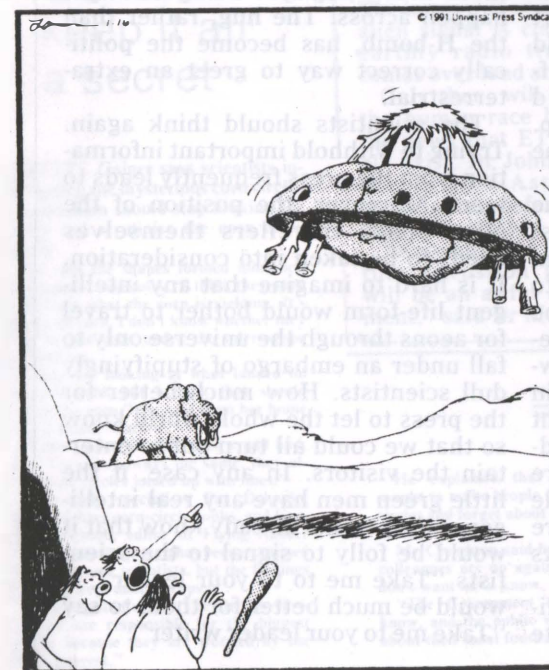
The driver then became frightened and sped on toward the Mundrabilla Road house which was in the dark due to the generator shutting down just moments before. The waitress reported to PAUL NORMAN that the witness was scared and booked in at the motel until daylight before travelling on.

Earlier that same evening two truck drivers had also reported that a strange light had paced them for several miles along the same stretch of highway.

On the 16th of September, Paul contacted the waitress for an interview but no new details were remembered by the waitress. However, it is interesting to note that soon after the Knowles Incident, the same generator was out of service for several days and the mechanic on duty at that time reported several cars had stopped for check-ups of their lighting and ignition systems which had malfunctioned while travelling near Mundrabilla.

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## Don't deny them the space

**I**S THERE anyone out there? We do not, of course, mean you, dear reader. Rather, we repeat a question that has intrigued mankind throughout the ages: is there intelligent life elsewhere in the universe, or is *homo sapiens* on his own from here to eternity? As we report elsewhere in this paper, the matter has recently been troubling the International Academy of Astronautics, which has adopted a "declaration of principles following the detection of extra-terrestrial intelligence". The question arose as to what responsible academicians of astronautics should do if contact were to be made. Their answer would not disgrace any closed shop of self-interested and self-appointed "experts" in the world: hush it up. Above all, keep the press out of the picture for as long as possible.

We greatly regret this view. The United States is in the van of the quest to establish contact with beings from the beyond, and American devotion to freedom of information should not be bound by Earthly limits. Indeed, preventing American citizens from knowing that a distant planet has been in touch with the land of the free might well be a case for the First Amendment. And throughout the world there would be countless numbers of people who would feel very angry if they were deprived of what would be the news story of the millennium.

A huge industry has grown up dedicated to feeding the popular appetite

for little green men from outer space. Much of our attitude as to how we should behave if confronted with such creatures has been formed in Hollywood. In the Fifties, the spirit of cowboy-and-Indian genre films dictated terms: if a space ship landed in your back garden the best thing to do was to call in the brass hats and leave them to sort out the invader. If that led to nuclear war in the heavens with a fleet of invading flying saucers, so be it. In our supposedly more "caring" times we are now invited to be more sympathetic to any bug-eyed being we might happen across. The hug, rather than the H-bomb, has become the politically correct way to greet an extra-terrestrial.

The scientists should think again. Trying to withhold important information from the press frequently leads to tears. Moreover, the position of the alien space travellers themselves needs to be taken into consideration. It is hard to imagine that any intelligent life-form would bother to travel for aeons through the universe only to fall under an embargo of stupidifyingly dull scientists. How much better for the press to let the whole world know so that we could all turn out to entertain the visitors. In any case, if the little green men have any real intelligence they would already know that it would be folly to signal to the scientists "Take me to your leader"; it would be much better for them to say "Take me to your leader writer".

# Red tape will delay news of Little Green Men

By Roger Highfield, Science Editor

**I**F SIGNS of life on other planets are ever detected, the news will not reach the mass of Mankind until a complicated process of verification and approval, in the best tradition of earthly bureaucracy, is thoroughly exhausted.

Under a set of guidelines drawn up by the world's scientists, the news must pass through a secret and Byzantine notification process before being announced by the United Nations.

The Declaration of Principles Concerning Activities Following the Detection of Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence was thrashed out by the Inter-

national Academy of Astronautics in Buenos Aires last week.

The delegates believe the first signs of alien life will not be the traditional little green men appearing from a flying saucer. They are more likely to be unusual signals among a crackling background of cosmic radio noise picked up by radio-astronomers.

Whenever these momentous signs are detected, it will be a case of bureaucracy rather than sensation. The first thing the radio-astronomer must do is to record the

alien signals then contact other scientists worldwide to verify them. Assuming the inevitable wrangling is ever resolved, the news still has a long way to go before reaching the public.

Then follows an approach to the International Astronomical Union which will send out an official notification through the Central Bureau for Astronomical Telegrams, the world clearing-house for astronomical announcements. After that, the Secretary General of the United Nations, the Institute



## Scientists keep it all a secret

**JANETTE** Gaiger says scientists investigating the mysterious corn circles in Amersham should stop looking for UFOs and scrutinise the corn more closely.

She says the shapes formed mimic the shapes of molecules. "I think they want to find out what the corn is yielding. It's always on corn. I don't know whether they want to put corn under the microscope and find out."

"They are looking at what landed on the corn field, but I think they should look at the corn," she said from her home in Mill Road, Marlow.

"I don't know if a physicist could look at it. They are always the same, they always have circles joined up with lines."

Corn-circle specialists Pat Delgado, author of three corn-circle books, and Gordon Creighton, editor of *Flying Saucer Review*, believe the corn has been examined by Government scientists, but the findings are being kept under wraps.

Mr Creighton said: "The British Government are responsible for the biggest hoaxes because they are worried by the public interest."

for Space Law, and the International Telecommunications Union will also be told. The latter will ensure that the alien signal is cleared of all earthly radio traffic so it comes over loud and clear.

Only then, will the rest of the human race be privy to the news that ET may, after all, exist. Dr John Mason, of the British Astronomical Association, defends the red tape as necessary.

"Knowing the way scientific discussion goes, there will be an awful lot of argument," said Dr Mason. "That

debate I am sure will be heated and protracted, during which time an investigative journalist will be almost bound to get wind of it." It would be up to the UN to "marshal the media circus".

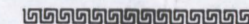
The thorny question of who will take the credit for the discovery was also discussed. The glory will go to the person or group that first heard the radio signals.

If, in the circumstances, aliens do land in true Hollywood style by flying saucer, their first words are likely to be: "Take me to your committee".

He explained that the Government sought to make people sceptical about the circles and forget about the reality of alien intelligences.

Mr Creighton said he and his believing colleagues are up against it: "The aliens don't want us to know."

"The Government don't want us to know, and the public would rather know about their local football team."





## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Paul Norman  
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Dear Paul.

Just received your card.

I was invited by the Today newspaper to inspect and give a verdict on a crop pictogram in the county of Kent.

After walking through the 'laddergram' formation I said it looked good and I considered it could be genuine. If it is correct that the two men, Bower and Chorley made it, then I was wrong and I made a mistake. (Surely something we have all done at least once).

I have never said 'All the crop circles are hoaxes'. The phenomenon remains.

I received a phone call the other day from a man who said, 'These two men are rogues and liars, because it was me who made all the crop circles'!

The Alton Barnes footage you saw of a pictogram is not claimed by the two men as one of theirs.

This recent claimed hoax hiccup has been a real tease for the subject and I am touched by the overwhelming support I have received from people all over the world. Claims of hoax have occurred in the past and I am sure this will not be the last. Business as usual, the research goes on.

Kind regards.

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Satellite corn circles are probably first of their kind

# Theories galore that cut no corn

THE spectacular sets of crop circles that have appeared in the area since the weekend have spawned dozens of theories as to their cause, but only one thing is certain no one really knows.

The five circles engraved mystically on the landscape in a cornfield just off the Amersham bypass on Saturday night have been heralded as a world first, a unique formation that has never been produced before by nature, if indeed nature is behind it.

Certainly, the attraction of the corn circle phenomenon was too strong to resist for hundreds of people around Amersham.

On Monday evening, the bypass opposite Merritt's Jaguar garage was lined with cars as pilgrims trekked across the fields to enter the circles.

The story was the same at Butlers Cross, just over a mile from the Prime Minister's weekend home Chequers, where a similar set of circles was revealed. There was one - some might think significant - difference. In place of one of the circles was an arrow pointing east.

Experts around the country were excited at the news.

Dr Terence Meaden, a solid state physicist, has been studying the circles for 12 years.

When told about the Amersham circles he asked feverishly: "What does it look like? Where is it? Who owns the field?"

He has his own elaborate theory

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that a highly electrified vortex, or a spinning mass of air falling to ground, leaves a circular mark in crops that acts as a tracer. The turbulent air usually follows the first wind of the day, blowing across the tops of hills.

Talking about the Amersham circles, Dr Meaden enthused: "I have not heard of satellite circles joined by paths to the main circle. If this is a natural event, it is the first time."

He said Saturday night's vortex must have contained four subsidiary vortices which were ejected on impact with the ground, leaving the four tracks.

Dr Meaden claims he can simulate the same pattern in his laboratory, but on a much smaller scale.

All this is bunkum to Pat Delgado, a retired electro-mechanical design engineer, and the author of two best-selling books on corn circles.

"So far no one is even close," he said. "I don't disagree with people trying to imagine what is going on, but to publish a paper on the subject is very arrogant and totally unscientific."

Mr Delgado's own theory approaches the spiritual. "These pictograms are created by an energy we don't understand and manipulated by a high level of intelligence.

Some people may call it God. We need a new vocabulary to describe what we are looking for. There is no understanding in conventional science."

BBC Radio Four's science correspondent David Whitehouse was sceptical. He felt the way forward was first to discount the possibility of a hoax by a new age of land artists.

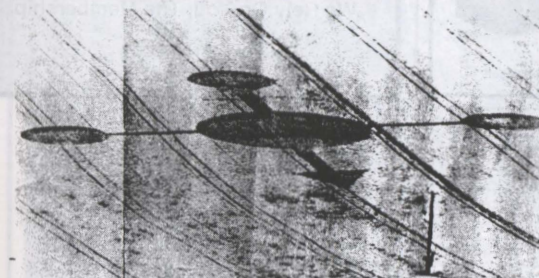
"If we don't know how people fake it we can't dismiss it as being a fake," he said.

Amateur theorists have come up with endless reasons for the circles. They range from the predictable - aliens, electrical storms, wind formations or tidal effects - to the bizarre - badgers mating, flies or ancient burial grounds.

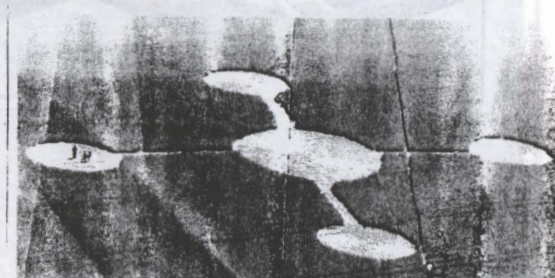
The most-repeated theory revolves around hoaxes. It is a popular belief that Young Farmers spend their nights out in the fields, using a rope tied to a stake to form the circles. Then, so the theory goes, they are sworn to secrecy to never reveal the Secret Of The Corn.

"This is news to me," said Buckinghamshire YF organiser Barbara Plastow. "If any of our lot were doing this I would have heard about it by now. What do people think we are - the Masons?"

If you know who, or what, causes crop circles, or have any theories, phone the Bucks Free Press on 0494-521212, or write to this paper at Gomm Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7DW.



A mysterious corn arrow points east at Butlers Cross



Sightseers are dwarfed by the circles at Amersham bypass



# Solving the mysterious corn hoax

■ A pair of pranksters has claimed responsibility for the vast circles and geometric patterns which have been appearing in British cornfields for 13 years. But scientists are not convinced.

SUMMER in England conjures up images of strawberries, Druid ceremonies and cricket interrupted by rain.

But for the last few years a new and altogether weirder phenomenon has been taking place.

As the corn starts to ripen, and the newspapers brace themselves for the silly season, mysterious circles start appearing in fields all over southern England.

The circles, which are usually several metres in diameter, consist of corn flattened into a swirling shape.

The circles always have very clear cut edges, with no sign of disturbance to the surrounding growth.

Sometimes the basic circle shape is accompanied by concentric rings, or adorned by smaller satellite circles or arms extending radially outwards.

Photographs showing some extremely elaborate patterns have been featured by the press.

Needless to say the crop circles mystery has triggered a wave of speculation,



Paul Davies

with UFO landings being the most popular theory.

And despite the recent admission of a hoax, it is difficult to imagine that admission clearing up all the questions.

Dr Terence Meaden, director of Britain's Circles Effect Research Unit and author of *Circles from the Sky*, runs a team of dedicated circle-watchers who, however, somehow never managed to catch the culprits red-handed.

Usually the circles just appeared overnight, without much fuss, although occasionally mysterious lights were reported in the vicinity.

Reaction among scientists has been decidedly muted.

Short of an elaborate series of hoaxes — far more elaborate, possibly, than the admitted pranksters would be capable of — it is hard to come up with a convincing explanation for the circles.

Whirlwinds or the downdraught of helicopters suggest themselves, but these effects would be unlikely to create such sharply-defined patterns.

A crop virus that causes the corn to obligingly keel over in geometrical shapes also has been mooted.

Now a Japanese plasma physicist, Professor Yoshi-Hiko Ohtsuki, from Takeda University in Tokyo, thinks he has the answer.

A few months ago, Professor Ohtsuki surprised scientists by claiming that he could create fireballs in the laboratory.

Using a modified microwave oven, he was apparently able to produce glowing spheres of plasma that resemble ball lightning, a meteorological phenomenon almost as mysterious as crop circles.

Putting two and two together Professor Ohtsuki believes that the circles are formed by something like ball lightning.

Accompanied by a team of 17 colleagues he has spent the northern summer snooping around the cornfields of England with a camera, hoping to witness the formation of a circle first hand.

So far, they have not reported any close encounters of any kind.

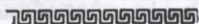
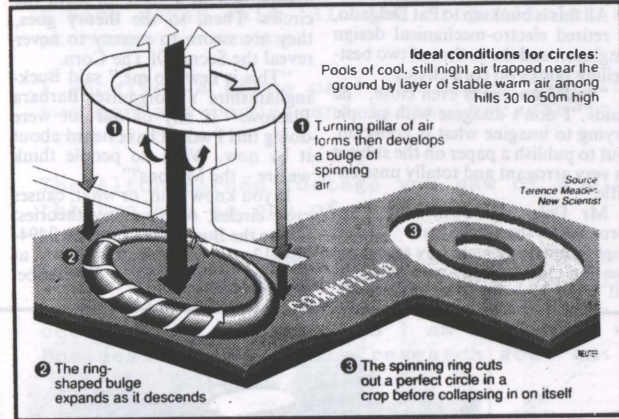
There is the obvious question of why this strange phenomenon seems to be concentrated on southern England.

In fact, the very first circle reported appeared about 30 years ago near Tully in Queensland — which is where the hoaxers claim to have learnt their odd skill.

Unfortunately nobody can remember whether, in that case, the corn swirled the opposite way to its English counterpart.

■ PAUL DAVIES is Professor of Mathematical Physics at Adelaide University.

## A THEORY OF MYSTERY CIRCLES



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## RINGS & THINGS ? © VUFORS 1991

In our March '91 Edition, I enumerated some cases of rings and circles created by invisible objects. Some of these were reported prior to the Tully "Nests" in 1966.

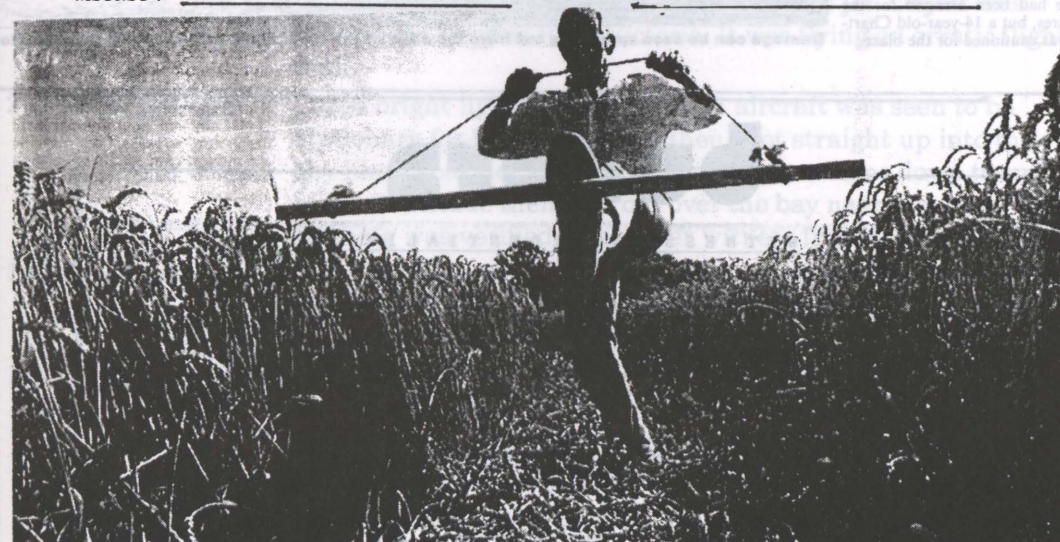
In the press recently - The Melbourne Herald Sun and The West Australian, 10th of September, 1991 - a couple of HOAXERS, namely Doug Bower and David Chorley - made a claim that they had created the corn circles in the UK and earlier ones here in Australia.

The fault with their 'confession' is, they have not taken into consideration the fact that there were no tracks into or out of the circle areas. Were Bower and his cronies dropped from a hot-air balloon or helicopter? Bower also obviously didn't realize that after he left this country, these circles were still being found in many parts of Australia as late as last year. Has he created the Tully nests, he would have required a boat. The 30 foot diameter Tully nest was discovered by a man who actually saw a silver object rising from a swamp in front of him and the "nest" was floating on TOP OF 5 FEET OF WATER! Did they have a boat? and how did he manage to pull reeds out by their roots and get them to swirl in a clockwise direction in FULL VIEW OF THE TRACTOR DRIVER ?!!!

The comparison between the flattened stalks of corn, wheat or sugar cane (as in one case in NSW) was that in the hoax circle, the stalks were broken or squashed when flattened whereas the others appeared to have been "laid down" as if they would stand upright again. How come the self confessed hoaxer didn't bother with the designs he supposedly used in the UK? And how is it they managed - in the UK - to produce circles which caused the compass to react in an extremely excited manner and showed considerable deviation in the magnetic field according to magnetometer readings?

Animal reaction in this country particularly, is in most cases quite apparent when taken near the area.

If hoaxers are to try and emulate the "work" done by UFO's or "unknowns", they will have to look worldwide, to Japan, Canada, America, Europe etc. before making such ridiculous statements if they do not wish to be judged to suffer from "foot-in-mouth" disease!



HOW IT'S DONE: Joker-artist David Chorley shows his paintbrush — a 1.2m plank used to flatten corn crop.



# FIRE DESTROYS CORN AT MYSTERY CIRCLE

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## It ain't anyone from outer space, exclaims farmer Don

By MICHAEL NORTH

FIREBUGS destroyed £3,000 worth of crops when they set a corn circle ablaze.

Twelve firemen took more than an hour to beat down burning corn in the field opposite Merritt's Jaguar garage, next to the bypass in Old Amersham.

The alarm was raised at 2.42pm on Thursday. Farmer Don Jarvis, who owns Bury Farm in Old Amersham, lost more than six acres of corn as a result of the blaze.

He said police called him to say they caught boys in the nearby wood shortly after the incident.

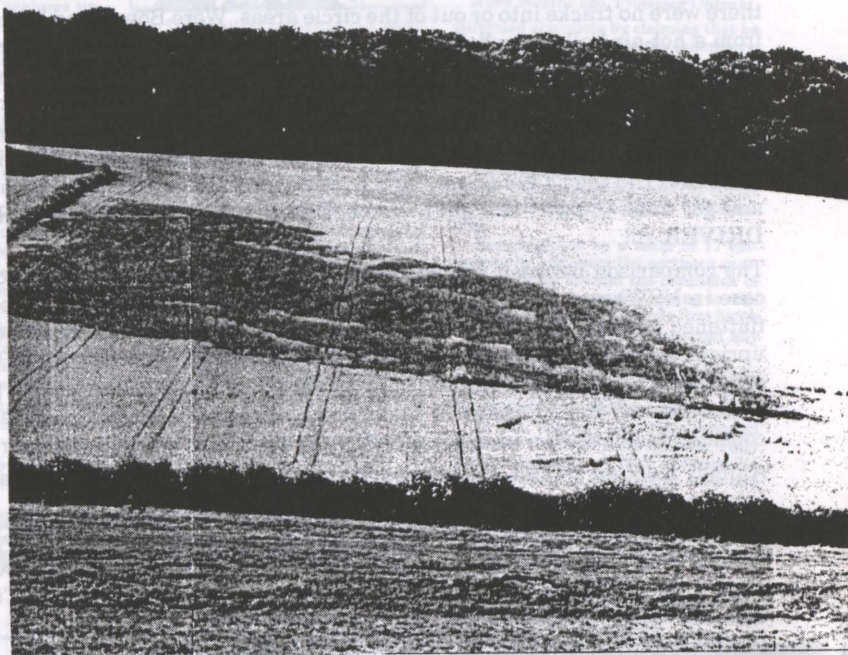
Mr Jarvis has had two corn circles already in his fields. The one that has been destroyed has been featured in the national and international press.

He said he is fed up with the whole corn circle phenomena. "It ain't anyone from outer space. It's those old student boys that do them," he said.

"I'm a bit fed up with people walking across my fields and looking at them. They don't know what damage they are doing. I can't stop them because a foot-path goes through the middle of the field."

Police have already tried to stop corn-circle sightseers parking on the side of the A413 bypass, but without success. They cannot keep the enthusiasts out.

A spokesman for Amersham police said no-one had been arrested for the corn-field fires, but a 14-year-old Chertsey boy was cautioned for the blaze.



Damage can be seen spreading out from the edge of the corn circles where the fire was started

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From month to month, VUFORS receives reports every few days of lights in the sky with few details. These lights could be anything from mundane objects to those remaining unidentified. Examples of these brief reports follow.

- 10-11-90 at 2:15 a.m. Orange light, ball shaped, reported over Lakes Entrance. Light was moving silently from South to East.
- 2-1-90 at 10:15 p.m. Silent disc shaped yellow light moving toward East in a straight line at first then began to zig zag before speeding away toward the Northeast over Frankston.
- 9-1-91 at 11:50 a.m. Daylight disc about the size of a 10 cent piece held at arms length was first seen hovering before speeding away to the Northwest over Echuca.
- 16-1-91 at 9:00 p.m. Yellow light flying over the You Yangs, near Geelong.
- 12-2-91 at 11:00 p.m. Three objects, one red, one white, one blue, reported over Tempestowe, at various speeds. One almost collided with a domestic aircraft. Another oval shaped black disc reported over Beaumaris. Disc flew toward the sea one hour later.
- 17-2-91 at 11:00 p.m. Triangle formation consisting of 9 lights flying toward the North over South Yarra.
- 10-4-91 at 8:00 p.m. Light hovered over Officer, Victoria then sped away. Size about one quarter the size of the Moon.
- 4-5-91 Bright green light about the size of a fifty cent piece held at arms length, speeding toward the southwest over Emerald.
- 14-5-91 at 9:50 p.m. Between Cohuna and Leitchville, light thought to be meteorite dropped from the sky then traveled horizontally.
- 10-6-91 at 7:00 p.m. Object shape of a lamp shade, color was white with green and yellow light on top. Size about half a Jumbo jet. Object was flying near Diggers Rest, Victoria. It was flying an erratic flight path.
- 22-7-91 at 8:00 p.m. Large bright light thought to be an aircraft was seen to be stationary for five minutes. It then shot straight up into the sky like a sparkler and sped away fast then came down to small aircraft altitude then flew out over the bay near Mentone. This sighting was verified by another witness from Mentone.
- 14-7-91 at 9:30 p.m. Near Bendigo, light thought to be a star then moved from the East to the West, swiftly made sharp turn without stopping then went back on its track again.
- 16-7-91 at 4:50 p.m. Narrewarren. Black object like "jaffle iron" punched a hole in the clouds. Object was about fifteen miles from the witness and moved slowly under the clouds at about 20-25 degrees, sped away at an angle of approx. 45 degrees towards the West.



# Australian Sighting Reports

## Time, Date, and Conditions of Sighting.

- 1 - Date - February 6th. 1990. (My birthday!)
- 2 - Time - From 9.35 pm to 9.40 pm - approximately.
- 3 - No cloud cover visible. Night sky was exceptionally clear with full complement of stars.
- 4 - Was not conscious of Moon at time, however upon checking later, at approximately 1:45 am. found Moon to be in Eastern sky showing only lower sphere.
- 5 - No aircraft were in the vicinity at the time.

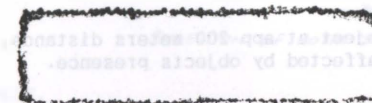
## General Remarks.

- 1 - Object was extraordinarily deep-red in colour and constant. No flickering effect was noticeable.
- 2 - No accessory flashing light(s) were visible, such as is always the case with conventional aircraft flying at night.
- 3 - The light mass of this object was exceedingly and alarmingly large. It was in effect, an extremely massive "area" of localised red light.
- 4 - No actual body-substance was discernible.
- 5 - The colour, size, and constancy of this object, was totally inconsistent with any form of night-flying humanic aircraft.
- 6 - I followed the movement of this object from my position in the back yard of our unit until it became blocked by the roof. I then went to the front yard where I continued to observe it until it became blocked once more by other roofs in the area.
- 7 - The estimated height (400-500 metres) and impression of speed of this object was consistent with a small aircraft cruising at low altitude.
- 8 - Estimated overall duration of sighting was about 5 minutes.
- 9 - Approximate, estimated distance of object from my viewing position was in the vicinity of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  kilometres. I am familiar with the visual concept of "one kilometre" at ground level and in daylight. It is from this, that I base my estimation of its distance from my self.
- 10 - Object traveled from North to South.

continued.

## Visual characteristics of object.

- 1 - Red light "object".
- 2 - Approximate ratio of length to width 4 to 1. Four measures in length to one measure in width.
- 3 - Sketch of object's appearance.



- 4 - Ratio of 4/1 (length to width) changed to 1/1 as the object in question drew immediately adjacent with my position in relation to it!? (I am unable to understand how this is possible.)
- 5 - This ratio of 1/1 then resumed its original state of 4/1 after the object had passed by my adjacent position(!) I cannot understand how this could occur within the physics of light?!
- 6 - The object traveled in a straight line from North to South.
- 7 - No sound was audible from this light-object.
- 8 - With regards shape, the object was neither distinguishably "squared off" as in rectangular, nor was it distinguishably "rounded off" as in cigar shaped. It was just "oblongular" in general impression.

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# Sighting Reports

UFO RESEARCH FNQ.

INVESTIGATION NOTES REPORT QB910

DATE 100391 SUNDAY. TIME 2230 hrs app.

DURATION App 7 mins WITNESSES 2...MR & MRS K

LOCATION STEVENS RD (nr JULATTEN QLD.)

INVESTIGATED BY H GORISS & R BOUNDY. Credit R.Boundy & H.Goriss.  
U.F.O Research, Far North QLD.

## ABSTRACT.

Two witnesses observe a single large object at app 200 meters distance, a sound is audible from object. Animals affected by objects presence.

## DETAILS OF INCIDENT.

At app 1030pm Mrs K went outside of the caravan/shed on their property. Standing outside she became aware of a very brightly lit object moving up from behind the trees to the northwest, this object was moving very slowly and as it came closer she noticed a deep pitched humming sound emanating from the object.

Mrs K then called to her husband who was inside the shed speaking on the telephone (to a friend in Brisbane). After two or three calls from Mrs K., Mr K. stepped outside and then also saw the object and heard the sound also. At this time the witnesses had a totally unobstructed view of the object between two eucalyptus trees. They state that the object appeared almost stationary but was moving less than 1 kilometer p/hr, it appeared to be very close to the witnesses at about 200 - 250mtrs distant. (App 550mm at arms length.)

The object appeared solid and dark(dull black) in colour and very thick in depth. It had what the witnesses describe as like big lights rotating around its side, these were very bright and multicoloured.

Mr.K. went back inside to the phone to tell his friend what was occurring, he then ran back outside, at this time the object began moving slightly faster, but still less than 5kmh.

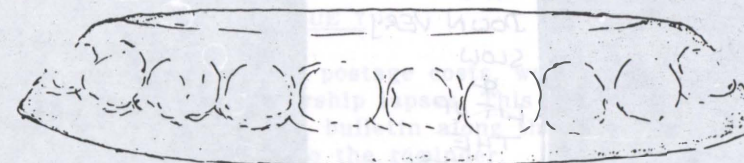
The object moved slowly toward the northeast in doing so it went downward behind a thicker stand of trees northeast of the K. property where they lost sight of it. As it moved away in this direction Mrs K says all the dogs in the Stevens Road were going crazy barking wildly apparently at the objects presence. At all times the witnesses viewed the object it remained at just above tree height, app 120ft(36m) altitude following the treetop line.

## WITNESSES REACTION

Mr and Mrs K. were totally dumbfounded by what they saw and were amazed at the size of the object. When Mr.K. ran outside to his wife's calls and looked up he thought that a large jet aircraft was about to crash on them, he felt goose bumps all over during the time he watched the object. Mr and Mrs K. have two sons aged app 13 and 11 years, they remained asleep in the caravan throughout the sighting. While inside Mr.K. noticed no unusual effects to the phone or the television which was switched on.

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REPORT QB91005 JULATTEN.Q.



DIRECTION OF ROTATION OF LIGHTS.

## THE OBJECT.

Because of the brightness of the lights and the dark colour of the object, the witnesses find it hard to describe its shape, they have the impression that the lights rotating left to right were going around a discoid shape, they likened it to a very deep shaped bowl inverted. It was hard to define a top or bottom area.

The witnesses state that while the object moved at the slow speed the rotation of the lights was slower, as the object began moving faster the rotation of the lights increased, which made the different colours of the lights blend together (although each colour was still separately defined.)

This rotating section (or "bar/band" as referred to by the witnesses) of separate lights were silverish, gold, yellow, red and orange colours. Mrs K. said they looked like big windows but were not. The brightness and colour of the lights lit up the side of the object which appeared to be matt black in colour and solid in structure. The two left and right ends were tapered being wider at the bottom.

## OTHER DETAILS

A neighbour whose home is app 700m east of the K. residence noted that on the night of the incident the lights in half of her house had gone off for a few minutes at the time of the sighting. She had found no problems with the electrical sys. since. Other residents in the area recalled nothing unusual at the time. The noise emitted by the object was described as like a deep humming/buzzing sound, it was present all the time the object was present at a constant pitch. Weather conditions at the time were clear/with the moon in its last quarter the temperature app 21deg.

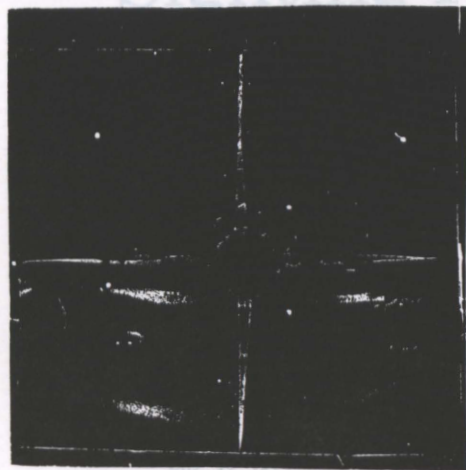
According CAIRNS CAA ATC record no aircraft in the area either on 3rd or 10th which could be stimulus to this observation, the description of the object is not representative of normal aircraft lighting.

The area surrounding Stevens Rd. is fairly isolated rural scrubland, mostly cattle grazing properties with Stevens Rd. residential acreage subdivision. The area from where the object approached from is scrub / semi forest.

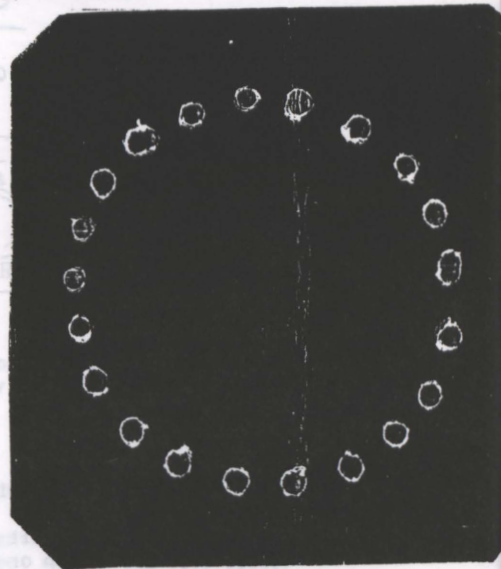
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# Sighting Reports



THIS CAME  
DOWN VERY  
SLOW  
&  
LIT UP  
THE  
STREET



ALAN SAW RED LIGHTS  
AROUND IT

THEY PULSED ABOUT  
100 FEET AWAY  
ALAN SAW THIS  
FOR A FEW SECONDS

## Sighting Report -

West Newport - 18.5.1991  
Witness Report,  
Twenty minutes to midnight,  
we saw, moving at a slow  
pace, and with no sound -  
it was like a big red glass  
ball. Brilliant. Shine, I  
ran inside to tell my  
brother-in-law who came out  
to look. He saw dull red  
lights around it. The sight-  
ing lasted about 8 minutes.  
It was about 50 feet above  
ground. As it got away,  
the red light went out and  
an outward thrust of sparks  
was seen. Then it was gone.  
I swear what I saw is true.

## Sighting Report - 21-10-1991.

White Hills, Victoria.  
Witness Report.  
Time: between 4-4.30am.  
White, silent, circular  
object - with diameter the  
size of "two chicken eggs" if  
held at arms length. At first  
viewing there were no lights.  
The second time it was seen  
there were red lights at one  
end. The object appeared to  
hover among trees. Witness  
thought light belonged to  
prowlers until it began to  
follow the car. The sighting  
lasted about 1/2 hour then  
the object sped off very  
fast. There appears to be  
some similarity between  
these two reports.

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by Steve Partridge - Membership Secretary

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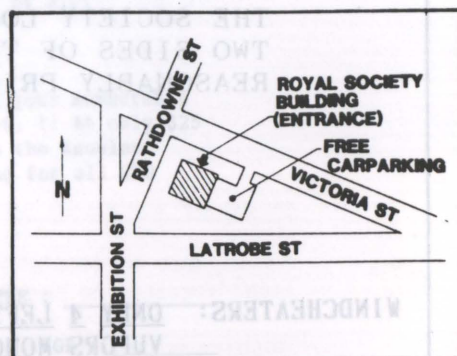
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# 1957

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The "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society (Victorian Branch)" was formed on the 17th February, 1957 as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" and later that year was re-organised as the "Victorian Flying Saucer Research Society" with Mr. Peter E. Norris L.L.B. as President. In 1968 the name was again altered – this time to the "Victorian U.F.O. Research Society".

During this time, the Society has published various papers and is probably best known for its publication Australian Flying Saucer Review, curtailed in 1972 due to high costs and subsequently superseded by the Australian U.F.O. Bulletin and at one stage sponsored and produced a quarter-hour program on a Melbourne radio station under the heading of "The Truth Behind Flying Saucers".

In 1978, following the resignation of Mr. Peter Norris the current executive, Mrs. Judith Magee, Messrs. Paul Norman and Clive Yates, was placed in control, ensuring the continuing prosperity of V.U.F.O.R.S. The Society has held a dispassionate attitude on U.F.O.s, claiming it is a scientific problem deserving closer attention. It has also met regularly in general meetings and discussion nights and maintained the largest U.F.O. library in the southern hemisphere. Unfortunately, the loss of books, probably due to the high cost of postage has forced V.U.F.O.R.S. to discontinue this service to members.

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